IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE A.K.BASHEER

WEDNESDAY, THE 6TH JUNE 2007 / 16TH JYAISHTA 1929

WP(C).No. 17260 of 2007(D)

PETITIONER:

DR.K.R.ANANDAPADMANABHAN,
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF SURGERY,
MEDICAL COLLEGE, TRIVANDRUM.

BY ADV. SRI.G.SASIDHARAN CHEMPAZHANTHIYIL
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RESPONDENTS:

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1. THE GOVERNMENT OF KERALA, REP. BY
SECRETARY, HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT,
SECRETARIAT, TRIVANDRUM.

2. THE DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL EDUCATION,
OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF MEDICAL EDUCATION,
TRIVANDRUM.

BY GOVERNMENT PLEADER SRI.A.J.VARGHESE

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 06/06/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

A.K.BASHEER, J.

W.P.(C)No.17260 OF 2007

Dated this the 6th day of June, 2007

JUDGMENT

Petitioner who is working as an Associate Professor in the Department of General Surgery in Trivandrum Medical College has got a grievance that his request for promotion is not being duly considered. He asserts that two retirement vacancies in the cadre of Professor of Surgery are available since May 1, 2007.

2. I do not propose to deal with the above contentions raised by the petitioner at this stage in view of the limited prayer made by the learned counsel for the petitioner at the Bar. He submits that petitioner will be satisfied, if a direction is issued to respondent no.1 to consider and pass orders on Ext.P4 in which petitioner has highlighted his grievance and all the relevant aspects of the issue. Learned Government Pleader submits that an appropriate decision on Ext.P4 will be taken without any further delay.

3. In the above facts and circumstances, writ petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent no.1 to consider and pass orders on Ext.P4 strictly on its merit and in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible, at any rate, within one month from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment. Needless to mention that respondent no.1 shall ensure that petitioner and all other eligible candidates are afforded sufficient opportunity to be heard before any decision is taken in the matter. Petitioner shall produce a copy of the writ petition along with a certified copy of the judgment before respondent no.1 for compliance.

Writ petition is disposed of as above.

A.K.BASHEER, JUDGE

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